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In re Patent Application of)	
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Application No.: 09/998,830)	Examiner: Kevin P. Rizzuto
Filed: December 3, 2001)	Confirmation No.: 7164
For: MICROCOMPUTER WITH A)	
SECURITY FUNCTION LOCKING)	
AN OPERATION MODE)	
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is filed in order to facilitate processing of the above-identified application. A Petition for Two (2) Months Extension of Time to a second month to April 14, 2006 is concurrently filed herewith. Applicant notes that a Petition for One (1) Month Extension of Time was filed with the appropriate fee on February 22, 2006. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows: